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SUBJECT: 63RD ECOSOC: AGENDA ITEM 4 - REGIONAL COOPERATION:

PLO MEMBERSHIP IN ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR WEST ASIA

1. DURING OPENING DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT ITEM IN PLENARY JULY 20
LEBANON, KUWAIT, SYRIA AND YEMEN SPOKE AT LENGTH ON ECWA RESOLU-
TION 36 (IV) CONCERNING FULL MEMBERSHIP FOR PLO IN ECWA, URGING
ECOSOC TO ACCEPT ECWA RECOMMENDATION.

2. AMONG THE ARGUMENTS ADVANCED BY ABOVE SPEAKERS WERE THE
FOLLOWING: (A) THERE IS UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT "BY ALL PARTIES CON-
CERNED" THAT THE LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINE PEOPLE MUST
BE MET IF THERE IS TO BE A BASIS FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.
(B) THE NEED TO ESTABLISH A PALESTINIAN HOMELAND HAS NOW BEEN
RECOGNIZED BY "CERTAIN IMPORTANT QUARTERS" WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY
IGNORED THE PROBLEM; SUCH RECOGNITION IS HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT.
(C) ECOSOC RESOLUTION 2026 (LXI) RECOGNIZED THE PLO AS THE SOLE
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE AND THE SOLE COMPETENT
CHANNEL THROUGH WHICH THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UN SYSTEM SHOULD
IDENTIFY THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC NEEDS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.
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(D) GRANTING OF FULL MEMBERSHIP IN ECWA TO PLO WOULD NOT ELEVATE
PLO TO THE RANK OF A STATE OR GOVERNMENT BUT WOULD RECOGNIZE THAT
THE PLO IS HIGHLY ACTIVE IN THE AREA AND IN ECWA. (E) THE PLO
EXERCISES RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARD THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE IN ALL
FIELDS AND ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN THIS RESPECT ARE AS HEAVY AS
THOSE WHICH GOVERNMENTS BEAR TOWARD THEIR PEOPLES. (F) THE PLO
HAS BEEN INVITED ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN SECURITY

COUNCIL DEBATES; IT IS RECOGNIZED BY THE GA AS THE SOLE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE; IT MAKES IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES; IT IS A FULL MEMBER OF THE ARAB LEAGUE AND THE GROUP OF NON-ALIGNED STATES; AND IT RECEIVES ASSISTANCE FROM THE UN SYSTEM. (G) THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE ARE DEPRIVED OF THEIR SOVEREIGN RIGHTS AND THE PLO PREVENTED FROM EXERCISING THESE RIGHTS BECAUSE OF THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF THEIR TERRITORY. (H) THE LAW MUST BE INTERPRETED TO REFLECT THESE FACTS AND NOT TO OBSTRUCT THE EXERCISE OF A PEOPLE'S JUST RIGHTS. (I) ANY ARGUMENTS AGAINST FULL MEMBERSHIP OF THE PLO IN ECWA ARE UNCONVINCING AND COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. (J) GRANTING SUCH FULL MEMBERSHIP WOULD STRENGTHEN THE HAND OF ALL PARTIES GENUINELY CONCERNED WITH PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. VANDEN HEUVEL

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